

MEXICANS SHOOT WOMEN IN CHURCH; ATTORNEY GENERAL STONED BY MOB

Troops Wound 10 As Crowds Refuse To Quit Worship

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MEXICO CITY, July 31.—With suspension of public worship in Catholic churches throughout the Mexican republic as a protest against the anti-religious laws effective tomorrow, first bloodshed in Mexico's religious controversy came when worshipers refused to leave the Church of San Rafael.

Police intervened and troops finally arrived on the scene.

Ten persons were wounded when the troops fired on the crowds.

A riot broke out when efforts were made to force the people to leave the church. It is alleged to have started when women on the roof threw rocks at the police who were attempting to disperse the crowds below. The majority of those wounded are women.

Firemen were called out to aid in suppressing the disorder, and turned streams of water on the people, scattering them.

Official Attacked

Late last night quiet prevailed in the vicinity of the church, and it was said that no further disorders were expected there.

A second riot took place at the church of Santa Catarina, in a middle class residential district. A woman is reported to have attacked Attorney General Romero Ortega there, striking him on the head with a bottle. Some shots were fired, but casualties, if any, are not known as yet. A mob hurled stones at him.

Meanwhile it was reliably reported that a large crowd was gathering at the Basilica at Villa Guadalupe, outside the city, a rich and important Catholic shrine. Troops were on guard duty there.

The clashes came when, amid scenes of sorrowing devotion, the abandonment and closing of the churches began last night. Although some churches were then abandoned and placed under guard, others remained open for prayer, crowded with weeping women and men. The majority of churches are not closing until today.

Excitement during the day had been increased with the news that the government had arrested and was preparing to deport Tito Crespi, secretary of the Papal delegation to Mexico City since 1921.

Crespi, an American citizen of Italian birth, was taken into custody by the Department of the Interior. Father Garcia Plaza, announcing the arrest, said the government planned to deport him by way of Laredo, Tex. Charges against Crespi are not yet known.

'Phantom Stabber' of Girls Believed Caught by Cops

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., July 31 (By U. P.).—Bridgeport police believe they have solved the strange affair of the "phantom stabber," who last year terrorized the city for months and slashed a score of young girls on the arms or breasts, in the arrest of Joseph Baroney, 28, in Hartford.

Two detectives left here yesterday for Hartford to question Baroney. He was arrested in Hartford for slashing the dresses of girls in a crowd watching a parade.

Baroney admitted he had been in Hartford only five months and had lived in Bridgeport for nine years previously.

Sought in Cafe Murder



THIS PICTURE, with the name "Marie Cacalana" on the back, was found early today in a Brooklyn coffee house in which a man had been killed earlier in the evening after a quarrel over two pretty girls. It is believed that Marie was one of the girls.

Patron Slain in Quarrel Over Pretty Girls in Cafe

Police today were searching for the proprietor of a coffee house at 43 Carroll St., Brooklyn, in connection with the murder of Angelo Cilboldi, 31, of 67 President St., Brooklyn, who was shot and killed in a quarrel over two girls by an unidentified assailant who escaped.

The McManus Died in Harness

Former State Senator and Tammany leader of the Fifth Assembly District, Thomas J. McManus, who died at his home, 452 West 49th St., at the age of 64, was long a power in city politics. High blood pressure is given as the cause of his demise.

The McManus, as he was commonly called, literally died in harness. He had attended a meeting of the Tammany executive committee but a few hours before his death.

The proprietor, according to the police, was sitting with the two girls when Cilboldi entered. The two men quarreled over them later and Cilboldi was ejected from the coffee house. He re-entered and as he approached the table where the proprietor sat with the two girls, he was shot through the heart.

A picture of a girl with the name, "Marie Cacalana," and the date July 10, was found in the coffee house by police. It is believed that she was one of the two girls about whom the men quarreled. The police could not learn the name of the proprietor of the coffee house last night and continued their investigation today.

LEAVES HARVARD MILLION

Augustus Coe Gurnee, resident of Bar Harbor, Me., who died in Baden Baden, Germany, July 5, left Harvard University, where he received a bachelor of arts degree in 1878, \$1,000,000.

THE WEATHER

SATURDAY, JULY 31, 1926.



U. S. WEATHER FORECAST
LOCAL—Fair today and tomorrow; moderate northerly winds.
EASTERN NEW YORK—Fair today and tomorrow; moderate northerly winds.

15 LINERS SAIL TODAY WITH 9,000 PASSENGERS

Ten steamships will sail today for Europe and five for South and Central America, the West Indies and Bermuda. More than 9,000 passengers are booked on the

Bronx Girl Hides Bandits, Then Gives Them to Police

Miss Ann Schechter, 15, of 1461 Brook Ave., The Bronx, is being hailed as a heroine for her cleverness in trapping three thugs who fled into her home to escape the police after staging a sensational hold-up.

Samuel Markowitz was driving his truck, containing barrels of alcohol worth \$60,000 at bootleg prices and destined for the National Distilling Company, 2645 Webster Ave., along 171st Street when a light touring car containing three men forced him to the curb.

The men got out and drew their revolvers, ordering Markowitz to throw up his hands and "climb down." Instead, he pulled an automatic from his pocket and loosened a volley at his attackers.

The bandits replied with at least fifteen shots, which, however, went wide of their mark, endangering the lives of screaming mothers and children who fled for shelter.

The bandits, two of them severely wounded by Markowitz's more expert marksmanship, fled into the Schechter home, around the corner. One hid in a closet, another under the sink and another under the bed.

The police soon arrived, and in a few minutes the bandits were dragged from their hiding places.

The two wounded bandits, who gave their names as John Rinaldo, 24, 1060 Brooklyn Ave., Brooklyn, and John Russo, 27, of 235 Mott St., Manhattan, were removed to Fordham Hospital.

Senator Cummins, Rail Authority, Dies in 76th Year

DES MOINES, I.A., July 31.—United States Senator Albert Baird Cummins, who

was recently defeated for his senatorial post by Col. Smith W. Brookhart, died in his home in this city yesterday.

He was born at Waynesburg, Pa., February 15, 1850, and was educated at Waynesburg College. His work at first was in the engineering field, in which he held the position of assistant chief engineer of the Cincinnati, Richmond & Fort Wayne Railroad. He studied law in Chicago and was admitted to practice in 1875.



Senator Cummins

Reformed Crook Slain by Gangsters

ATLANTA, GA., July 31 (By U. P.).—A victim of the underworld which once knew him as a leader, Bert Donaldson, reformed crook and noted criminal investigator for the solicitor general's office here, was found mysteriously slain in a room of the Georgian Terrace, fashionable uptown hotel late yesterday.

Donaldson is believed to have been lured to the hotel room early Thursday night and to have been murdered by gangsters he exposed.

SIX INJURED WHEN TWO AUTOS CRASH

Three men and three women were injured when two cars collided at Broadway and 17th Avenue, Astoria, L. I., last night.

The injured are Miss Marie Brown, 21; Miss Odina C. Dellfaro, 20; Miss Anna Smith, 23; Alfred Brown, 33; Andrew Cernenal, 34, all of 3259 17th Ave., Astoria, L. I., and Joseph Krikawa, 28, of 6205 39th Ave., Woodside, L. I., the driver of the car.

Mehl Family Gets Threats as Police Dig for His Body

Despite warnings to stop, the work of digging the reclaimed swamp lands near the White House Hotel at Denton and Rockaway Avenues, Brooklyn, continues in an effort to find the body of John W. Mehl, wealthy dairyman, who disappeared from his home at 1155 Clarkson Ave., Brooklyn, April 29.

While a steam shovel was plowing its way through the swamp detectives guarded the Mehl home, where the missing man's sister, Grace, 40, a school teacher, and his 17-year-old daughter, Ruth, a high school student, yesterday and the previous night answered mysterious knocks on the door to find notes, one of which, characteristic of the others, read: "If you do not call off the police from digging, you will be sorry."

Booze Fleet Lost in Gale; 50 Drowned at Nassau

NASSAU, BAHAMAS, July 31 (By U. P.).—Gangs of men have cleared the streets of much of the wreckage left in the wake of the hurricane which swept this place early in the week.

"L" Bandit Gets Only 50 Cents

A lone gun-carrying nickel snatcher early today robbed an exchange booth of the Fulton Street elevated line at Boyd and Liberty Avenues of fifty cents.

He ordered Eva McLaughlin, the cashier, to keep quiet, shoved his hand under the slot of the booth and grabbed ten nickles. Then he ran downstairs and escaped with his booty.

It is reported that the entire liquor fleet, with 50,000 cases, was lost at Gun Bay, near Bimini.

Complete details show that while no lives were lost ashore approximately fifty perished in small boats which sank during the height of the storm.

Hardly a residence in Nassau escaped. Windows were broken in and the wind swept water through the houses in great gusts. Towers, trees and electric-light poles were blown down.

Estimates place the financial loss between \$3,000,000 and \$5,000,000.